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IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claims 1, 2, 6, 8, 9, and 11 in accordance with the following:

- 1. (CANCELLED)
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- 9. (CANCELLED)
- 10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An outdoor unit for an air conditioner, comprising: a cabinet including a front panel having a discharge port, a rear panel having suction holes, both side panels having suction holes, and a bottom panel;

an outdoor heat exchanger vertically installed in the cabinet adjacent to the suction holes;

a blower fan installed in the cabinet to blow air toward the discharge port; and a support member made of heat insulating material and disposed between the bottom panel of the cabinet and the outdoor heat exchanger, to separate a lower end of the outdoor heat exchanger from the bottom panel of the cabinet,

wherein the bottom panel of the cabinet includes a flange extending upward at an edge of the bottom panel, and

the support member is attached to the flange and the support member includes:

- a fixing portion attached to the flange,
- a support portion extending from the fixing portion to support the lower end of the heat exchanger, and

an upper reinforcing portion connected between an upper surface of the support portion and an inner surface of the fixing portion to separate the lower end of the outdoor heat exchanger from the fixing portion.

11. (CANCELLED)

12. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An outdoor unit for an air conditioner, comprising: a cabinet having a bottom panel;

an outdoor heat exchanger installed in the cabinet; and

a support member which supports the outdoor heat exchanger, including a support portion and a fitting portion,

wherein the support member includes a plurality of lower reinforcing ribs connected between a lower surface of the support portion and an inner surface of the fitting portion, and a plurality of upper reinforcing ribs connected between an upper surface of the support portion and the inner surface of the fitting portion and prevents the support portion from sagging, and

wherein the support member prevents coldness from the outdoor heat exchanger from being transmitted to the bottom panel to prevent condensed water from freezing,

wherein the bottom panel of the cabinet includes a flange extending upward at an edge of the bottom panel, and

the support member is attached to the flange and the support member includes:

- a fixing portion attached to the flange,
- a support portion extending from the fixing portion to support a lower end of the heat exchanger, and

an upper reinforcing portion connected between an upper surface of the support portion and an inner surface of the fixing portion to separate the lower end of the outdoor heat exchanger from the fixing portion.

13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An outdoor unit for an air conditioner, comprising: a cabinet having a bottom panel;

an outdoor heat exchanger installed in the cabinet; and

a support member which supports the outdoor heat exchanger, including a support portion and a fitting portion,

wherein the support member includes a plurality of lower reinforcing ribs connected between a lower surface of the support portion and an inner surface of the fitting portion, and a plurality of upper reinforcing ribs connected between an upper surface of the support portion and the inner surface of the fitting portion and prevents the support portion from sagging,

the support member prevents coldness from the outdoor heat exchanger from being transmitted to the bottom panel to prevent condensed water from freezing, and

the upper reinforcing ribs are smaller than the lower reinforcing ribs such that a lower end of the outdoor heat exchanger is directly supported on the upper surface of the support portion while in contact therewith.

14. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An outdoor unit for an air conditioner, comprising: a cabinet having a bottom panel;

an outdoor heat exchanger installed in the cabinet; and

a support member which supports the outdoor heat exchanger, including a support portion and a fitting portion,

wherein the support member includes a plurality of lower reinforcing ribs connected between a lower surface of the support portion and an inner surface of the fitting portion, and a plurality of upper reinforcing ribs connected between an upper surface of the support portion and the inner surface of the fitting portion and prevents the support portion from sagging,

the support member prevents coldness from the outdoor heat exchanger from being transmitted to the bottom panel to prevent condensed water from freezing, and

each of the upper reinforcing ribs has an inclined upper surface, and the outdoor heat exchanger is placed on the support portion with a space between the fitting portion and the outdoor heat exchanger.

15. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An outdoor unit for an air conditioner, comprising: a cabinet having a bottom panel;

an outdoor heat exchanger installed in the cabinet; and

a support member which supports the outdoor heat exchanger, including a support portion and a fitting portion,

wherein the support member includes a plurality of lower reinforcing ribs connected between a lower surface of the support portion and an inner surface of the fitting portion, and a plurality of upper reinforcing ribs connected between an upper surface of the support portion and the inner surface of the fitting portion and prevents the support portion from sagging,

the support member prevents coldness from the outdoor heat exchanger from being transmitted to the bottom panel to prevent condensed water from freezing, and

a width of an area of the support portion in contact with the lower end of the outdoor heat exchanger is smaller than a width of the outdoor heat exchanger.

16. (CANCELLED)

17. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The outdoor unit for an air conditioner according to claim 12, wherein the support portion is made of a heat insulating material.